

Status of the Application

Claims 1-19 of the original application are pending. In the March 23, 2005 Office action, the examiner stated that restriction to one of the following groups of claims was required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-11, drawn to an electricity meter, classified in Class 324, subclass 142;
- II. Claims 12-16, drawn to a load management system, classified in class 324, subclass 140R; or
- III. Claims 17-19, drawn to a method of managing the load on a power supply in an electricity meter, classified in class 324, subclass 158.1.

Elections

In response to the March 23, 2005 Office action, the applicant elects group I claims 1-11 for prosecution in the present case.

Applicant retains all non-elected claims in the present case subject to appropriate action by the examiner.

Conclusion

Favorable consideration and allowance of this application, including elected claims 1-11, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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